AMENDMEND TO CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1-3, 5-25, and 27-29 as following:

- 1. (*Currently amended*) A transmitter operating in a switching-mode, the transmitter comprising:
 - a signal decomposition unit decomposing a modulated digital signal into a first signal and a second signal, both being expressed in polar coordinates;
 - an adaptive predistorter, coupled to the signal decomposition unit, configured to distort the first and second signals respectively in accordance with one or more of distorting parameters; [and]
 - a phase equalizer, coupled to the adaptive predistorter, configured to equalize a time delay between the <u>distorted</u> first and second signals in response to a [measurement] <u>first control signal</u> provided by a feedback loop operating on a sample of an <u>amplified</u> RF signal <u>to generate equalized first and second signals</u>;
 - a phase lock loop (PLL) responsive to the equalized second signal, a second control signal from the feedback loop, a reference frequency signal and a carrier frequency signal for producing a radio frequency (RF) signal, wherein a power amplifier is coupled to the PLL for receiving the RF signal and to produce said amplified RF signal responsive to the equalized first signal;

and

- means for receiving and transmitting said amplified RF signal [from a power amplifier, wherein the power is coupled to a voltage controlled oscillator and controlled by the first signal and a phase-modulated signal coupled from the voltage controlled oscillator to produce the RF signal].
- 2. (Currently amended) The transmitter of claim 1, wherein the modulated digital signal is provided from a baseband processor, the first signal is an amplitude signal,

and the second signal is a phase signal[, and the phase-modulated signal is produced from the second signal].

- 3. (Currently *amended*) The transmitter of claim 2, wherein the feedback loop includes a down-converter <u>coupled</u> to the <u>amplifier and the output of the PLL</u>, a demodulation unit coupled to the down-converter and a measurement unit coupled to the demodulation unit, and provides feedback signals, <u>said feedback signals</u> <u>comprising at least the first and the second control signals</u> [to at least the phase equalizer].
- 4. (*Previously amended*) The transmitter of claim 3, wherein the down-converter converts the sample to a lower frequency to be demodulated in the demodulation unit to produce a demodulated sample, and the demodulated sample is measured in the measurement unit for producing the feedback signals.
- 5. (Currently amended) The transmitter of claim 1, wherein the <u>equalized</u> first signal is provided to indirectly control the power amplifier.
- 6. (Currently amended) The transmitter of claim 5, wherein the <u>equalized</u> first signal activates a control unit to generate a bias control signal and a voltage signal in response to the <u>equalized</u> first signal <u>to control the power amplifier</u>.
- 7. (Currently amended) The transmitter of claim 5, further comprising a first modulation path and a second modulation path, both operating on the <u>equalized</u> second signal.
- 8. (Currently amended) The transmitter of claim 7, wherein the first modulation path provides a first input signal to the [voltage controlled oscillator] <u>PLL</u> in response to the <u>equalized</u> second signal processed in a phase gain unit.

- 9. (Currently amended) The transmitter of claim 8, wherein the <u>equalized</u> second signal, after processed in the phase gain unit, is converted to an analog signal.
- 10. (Currently *amended*) The transmitter of claim 8, wherein the second modulation path provides a second input signal to the [voltage controlled oscillator] <u>PLL</u> in response to the equalized second signal processed in a phase offset unit.
- 11. (currently amended) The transmitter of claim 10, wherein the PLL comprising: a phase detector responsive to the reference frequency signal and a divided loop output signal to provide an output signal; a loop filter coupled to the output of the phase detector; an adder for summing an output of the loop filter and an output of the phase offset unit; a voltage controlled oscillator coupled to an output of the adder for providing the RF signal; and a divider responsive to the RF signal and the first input signal from the first modulation path for providing the divided loop output signal [an output of a loop filter and an output of the phase gain unit are coupled together to modulate the voltage controlled oscillator]
- 12. (*Currently amended*) A method for controlling a transmitter to operate in a switching-mode, the method comprising:
 - decomposing a modulated digital signal into a first signal and a second signal, both being expressed in polar coordinates;
 - distorting the first and second signals respectively in accordance with one or more of distorting parameters; and
 - equalizing a time delay between the <u>distorted</u> first and second signals in response to a <u>first control signal</u> [measurement] provided by a feedback loop operating on a sample of an <u>amplified</u> RF signal <u>to generate equalized first and second signals;</u> [from a power amplifier]
 - producing a radio frequency (RF) signal using a phase lock loop (PLL)
 responsive to the equalized second signal, a second control signal from the
 feedback loop, a reference frequency signal and a carrier frequency signal;

amplifying said RF signal using a power amplifier responsive to the equalized first signal to produce said amplified RF signal;

transmitting said amplified RF signal

- [, wherein the power amplifier is coupled to a voltage controlled oscillator and controlled by the first signal and a control signal coupled from the voltage controlled oscillator to produce the RF signal].
- 13. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 12, wherein the modulated digital signal is provided from a baseband processor, the first signal is an amplitude signal, and the second signal is a phase signal[, and the control signal is produced from the second signal].
- 14. (canceled) [The method of claim 12, further comprising providing feedback signals by the feedback loop, said to at least a phase equalizer, the feedback loop formed by a down-converter, a demodulation unit coupled to the down-converter and a measurement unit coupled to the demodulation unit].
- 15. (Currently *amended*) The method of claim 12 [14], further comprising converting the sample of said amplified RF signal to a lower frequency to provide a converted sample; demodulating said converted sample [be demodulated in the demodulation unit] to produce a demodulated sample, [wherein] measuring the demodulated sample [is measured in the measurement unit for] to produce[ing the] feedback signals, wherein said feedback signals comprising at least the first and the second control signals.
- 16. (Currently amended) The method of claim 12, wherein the <u>equalized</u> first signal is provided to indirectly control the power amplifier.
- 17. (Currently *amended*) The method of claim 16, further comprising activating a control unit by the <u>equalized</u> first signal to generate a bias control signal and a voltage signal in response to the <u>equalized</u> first signal <u>to control the power amplifier</u>.

- 18. (Currently *amended*) The method of claim 16, further comprising providing a first modulation path and a second modulation path, both operating on the <u>equalized</u> second signal.
- 19. (Currently *amended*) The method of claim 18, further comprising providing a first input signal by the first modulation path to the <u>PLL</u> [voltage controlled oscillator] in response to the <u>equalized</u> second signal processed in a phase gain unit.
- 20. (Currently *amended*) The method of claim 19, comprising converting the <u>equalized</u> second signal, after processed in the phase gain unit, to an analog signal.
- 21. (Currently *amended*) The method of claim 19, further comprising providing a second input signal in the second modulation path to the <u>PLL</u> [voltage controlled oscillator] in response to the equalized second signal processed in a phase offset unit.
- 22. (Canceled) [The method of claim 21, further comprising forming the second modulation path by a phase-locked loop (PLL) that is formed by an adder adding an output of a loop filter with a phase gain to modulate the voltage controlled oscillator in the phase-locked loop.]
- 23. (*Currently amended*) A method for controlling a transmitter to operate in a switching-mode, the method comprising:
 - generating a radio frequency signal using a phase-locked loop

 (PLL) configured to receive an adaptive phase gain signal

 and a phase offset control signal in response to a

 predistorted baseband phase signal, a carrier frequency signal, a reference

 frequency signal, wherein the PLL includes a modulated voltage-controlledoscillator (VCO);
 - compensating a frequency drift and other non-linear effects of [a] <u>said</u> modulated voltage-controlled-oscillator (VCO) and a power amplifier by predistorting a baseband amplitude signal and <u>the</u> [a] <u>baseband</u> phase signal in accordance

with one or more distorting parameters that are determined based on a sample of an output of the transmitter, wherein the baseband amplitude signal and the phase signal are expressed in terms of polar coordinates, and the sample is down-converted with an output from the VCO and demodulated to facilitate a predistortion calibration in a predistortion calibration unit to update the distorting parameters, and one output from the predistortion calibration unit used to adjust the <u>predistorted</u> phase signal to generate said phase gain signal;

- [providing a phase-locked loop (PLL) with an adaptive phase gain and a phase offset control in response to the phase signal;] and
- amplifying said radio frequency signal [an output of the PLL] in response to [modulating the power amplifier with] the <u>predistorted</u> baseband amplitude signal <u>using the amplifier</u> [and an output coupled from the modulated voltage controlled oscillator (VCO)] to provide said output of said transmitter.
- 24. (*Currently amended*) The method of claim 23, wherein the sample is downconverted and demodulated using said output from the VCO to regenerate a first signal a second signal and a third signal in a digital format, the method further comprising:
 - [demodulating samples of an output of the power amplifier and the modulated voltage controlled oscillator to regenerate a first signal, a second signal and a third signal in a digital format;]
 - comparing the [demodulated] first [and], second and the third signals to the baseband amplitude [signal] and phase signals [with reference to the third signal] to output [,] respective[ly] comparing results; and
 - producing feedback control signals in <u>response to the comparing results</u> to update the one or more distorting parameters, and other related parameters.
- 25. (*Currently amended*) The method of claim 24, still further comprising equalizing a delay time between the <u>predist</u>orted baseband amplitude and phase signals.

- 26. (*Original*) The method of claim 25, wherein the delay time is provided by one of the feedback control signals.
- 27. (*Currently amended*) The method of claim 23, wherein the step of generating said radio frequency signal [further] comprising:
 - [providing a control input to the modulated voltage-controlled oscillator (VCO) that has a phase-modulated output;]
 - comparing two phase-modulated signals in a phase detector to produce an output representing the phase difference of the two phase-modulated signals, wherein one of the phase-modulated signals is said [a] reference frequency signal provided by [from] a controller and the other one of the phase-modulated signals is from a feedback frequency divider in the phase-locked loop;

filtering the output of the phase detector using a loop filter;

- adding an output of the loop filter using a first adder to a signal generated based on the baseband phase signal and provide a sum signal as the input of the VCO;
- <u>providing said</u> [including a] feedback frequency divider in a feedback loop which is coupled to the output of the VCO;

and

- receiving a signal in a modulator from [an] <u>a second</u> adder in the phase-locked loop that couples [phase-modulated baseband] a signal, <u>generated based on the phase signal</u>, and a carrier frequency signal together to produce a digital bit stream used to control a divisor of the feedback frequency divider.
- 28. (*Currently amended*) The method of claim 23, <u>further comprising</u> [wherein] <u>generating</u> [providing] <u>said</u> reference frequency using a controller [receives] <u>responsive to said</u> [a] [phase-modulated] baseband <u>phase</u> signal and a carrier frequency signal [to produce a digital bit stream used to control a reference frequency coupled to an input of a phase detector in the phase-locked loop].

- 29. (*Canceled*) The method of claim 23, further comprising wherein the VCO operates by:
 - coupling the phase-modulated baseband signal to an input node of the VCO which is used by the phase-locked loop;
 - using an adaptive phase gain to scale the phase-modulated baseband signal before being coupled to the input of node of the VCO of the phase-locked loop;
 - using an adaptive phase offset to change the phase-modulated baseband signal which is coupled to an input of phase locked loop; and
 - using an adaptive digital predistortion signal to facilitate formation of the adaptive phase gain and phase offset signals.